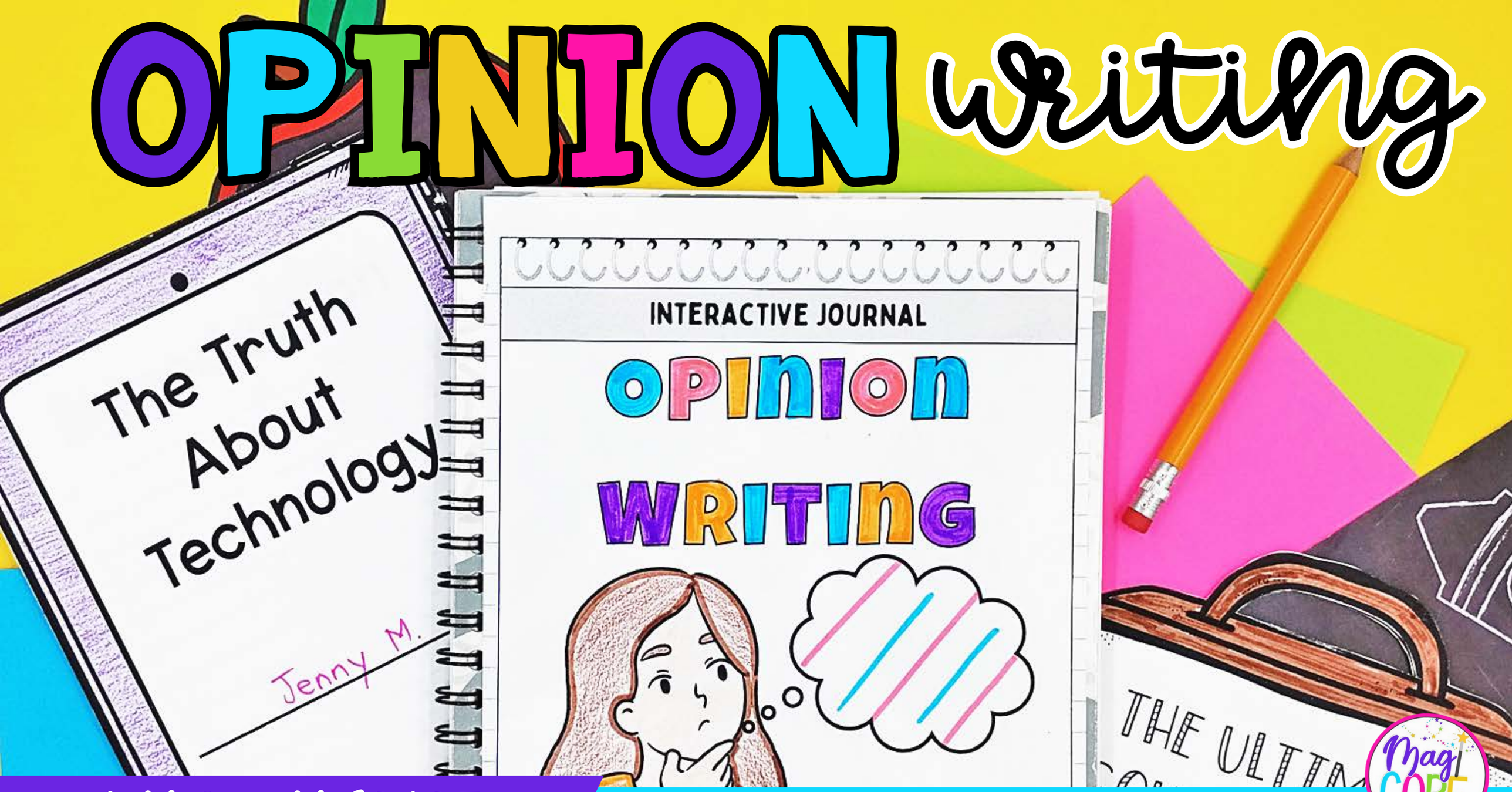
OPINION writing



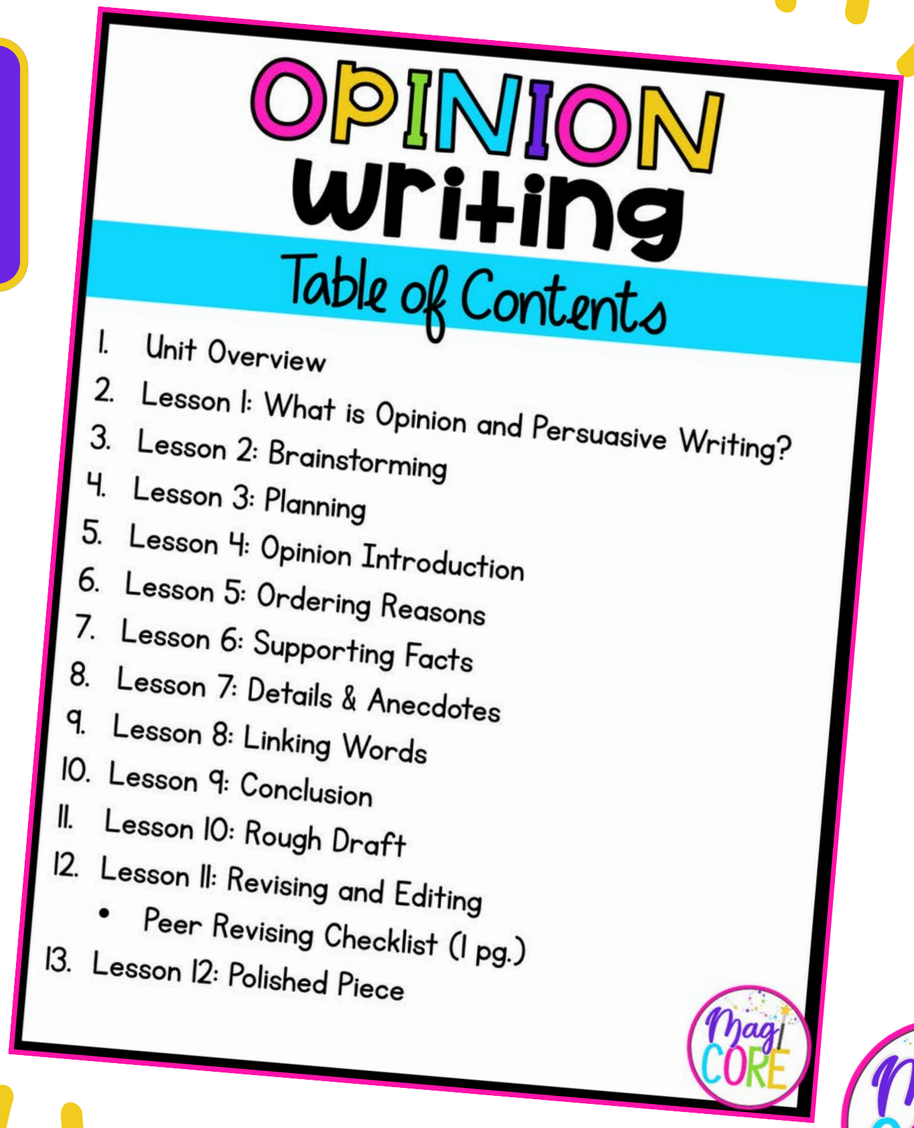
4TH & 5TH GRADE

PRINT & DIGITAL

MagiCORE

WHAT'S INSIDE?

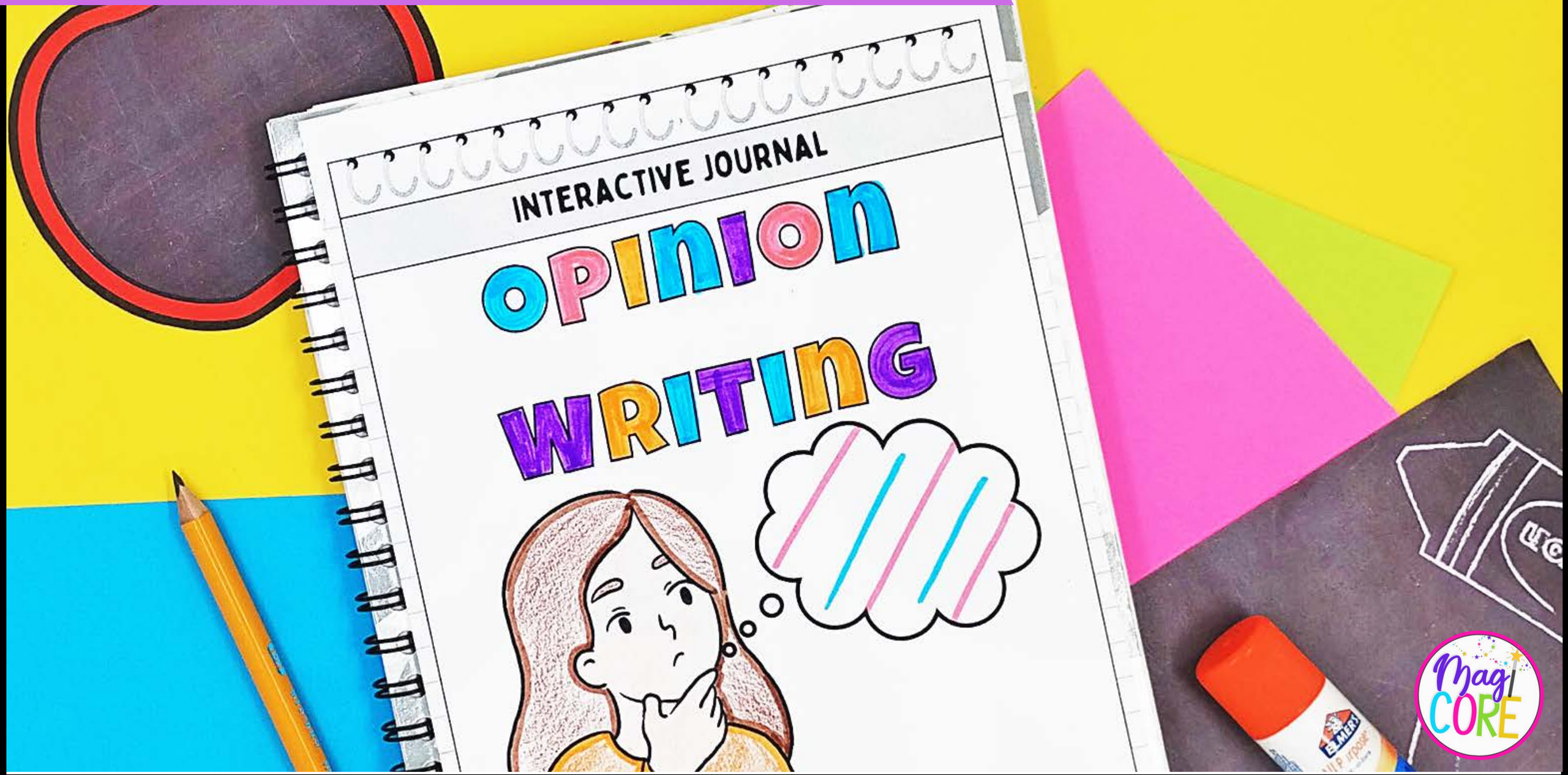
12 Lessons to Cover an Entire Opinion Writing Unit.



Each Lesson Includes:

- Lesson Plan
- Introductory Page
- Anchor Charts
- Templates
- Graphic Organizers
- Rubric

INTERACTIVE NOTEBOOK



ANCHOR CHARTS FOR EACH UNIT

Lesson #5

ORDERING REASONS

When you are writing your opinion, it is important to logically group and order your reasons to help support your writing. Consider the following:

1. Group all of the supporting information for each reason into one paragraph - each paragraph should only discuss one reason for your opinion or two very similar reasons.
2. Choose an order for your reasons that enhances your writing and helps the reader make sense of what you are trying to say.
3. Use linking words in your reason paragraphs to help the flow and logic of your opinion!

WAYS TO ORDER YOUR REASONS:

- From least to most important
- From most to least important
- In chronological order
- In order of amount of support for reason



Lesson #5

ORDERING REASONS

Recess is a crucial part of our school day, and it should be longer. Firstly, recess allows us to get physical exercise. After sitting for hours, running and playing helps us stay healthy and fit. Next, recess is important because it gives us a break from classroom work. This break refreshes our minds, making it easier to focus and learn when we return to class. Additionally, recess helps us develop social skills. It's a time when we can talk, play, and solve problems with our friends. Lastly, having a longer recess can reduce stress and make us happier. When we're less stressed, we do better in school.

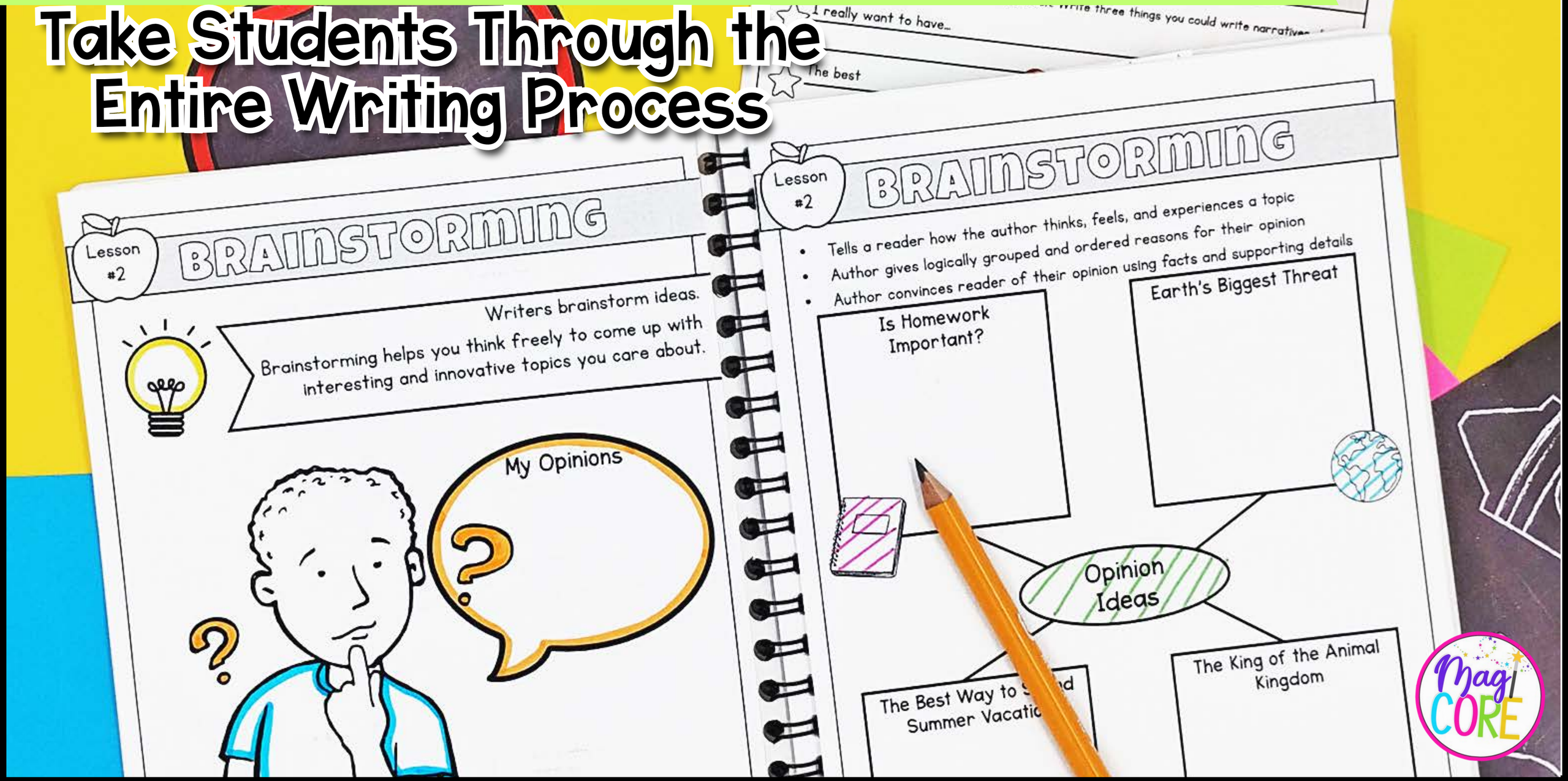
THE AUTHOR CHOSE THIS ORDER BECAUSE:

The reasons in the opinion piece are ordered from the most concrete and immediate benefits to the more abstract and long-term advantages.

Magi CORE

BRAINSTORMING TO PUBLISHING

Take Students Through the Entire Writing Process

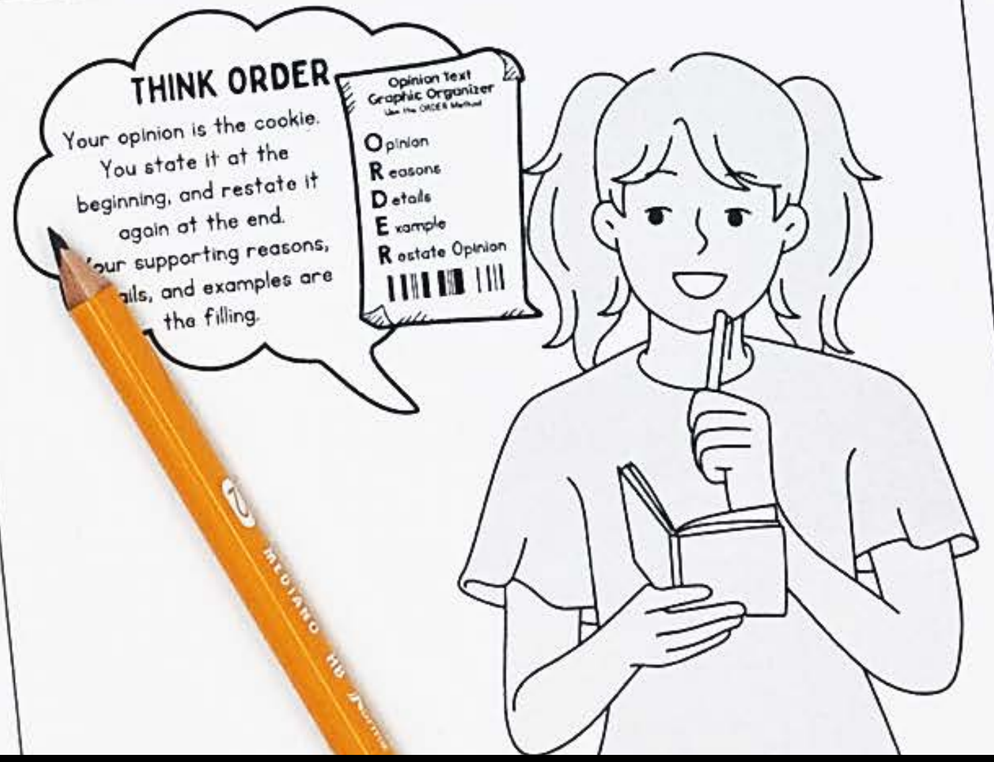


SCAFOLDED ORGANIZERS

Lesson #3

PLANNING

Once writers select a purpose and a topic, they plan their writing. Planning helps writers organize their ideas into a structure so they are able to communicate with the reader.



Lesson #3

ORDER GRAPHIC ORGANIZER

OPINION

① REASON — DETAILS — EXAMPLE #1

② REASON — DETAILS — EXAMPLE

③ REASON — DETAIL — EX

RESTATE OPINION

Name: _____

Date: _____

PLANNING RUBRIC

✓+	✓	✓-
I outlined **three to four** strong reasons to convince my reader.	I outlined **two** strong reasons to convince my reader.	I outlined **one** strong reason to convince my reader.
I outlined **three to four** clear examples that prove or support each reason.	I outlined **two** clear examples that prove each reason.	I outlined **one** clear example that proves each reason.
I sequenced **all** of my reasons logically	I sequenced **some** of my	

MagiCORE

STRATEGIES WITH SAMPLE ANSWERS

Lesson #4

OPINION HOOKS

- An introduction tells the reader what the author's opinion is.
- An author should engage the reader in their introduction by writing a HOOK

STRATEGY	EXAMPLE	NON EXAMPLE
Ask a Question	Are you looking for a best friend and a companion who will always	Do you want to have a dog for a pet?
Description Using Sensory		

Lesson #4

OPINION INTRODUCTION

Write your introduction using a hook.

Hook Strategy:

Hook: _____

Tell Your Topic: _____

OPINION INTRODUCTION STARTERS

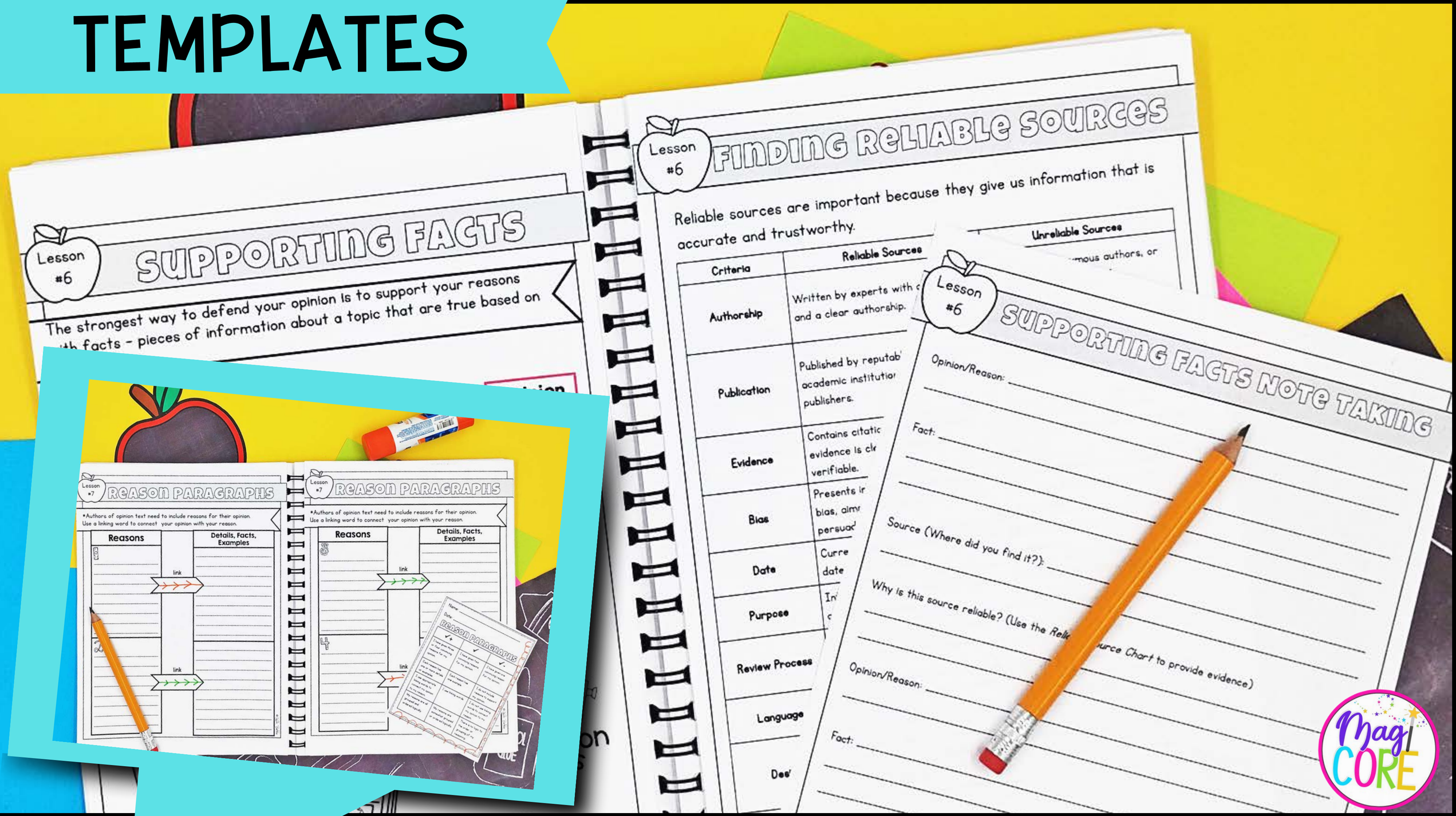
- In my opinion...
- I prefer...
- I think...
- I feel...
- I know...
- I believe...
- The best thing about...
- The greatest part about...
- The worst part about...



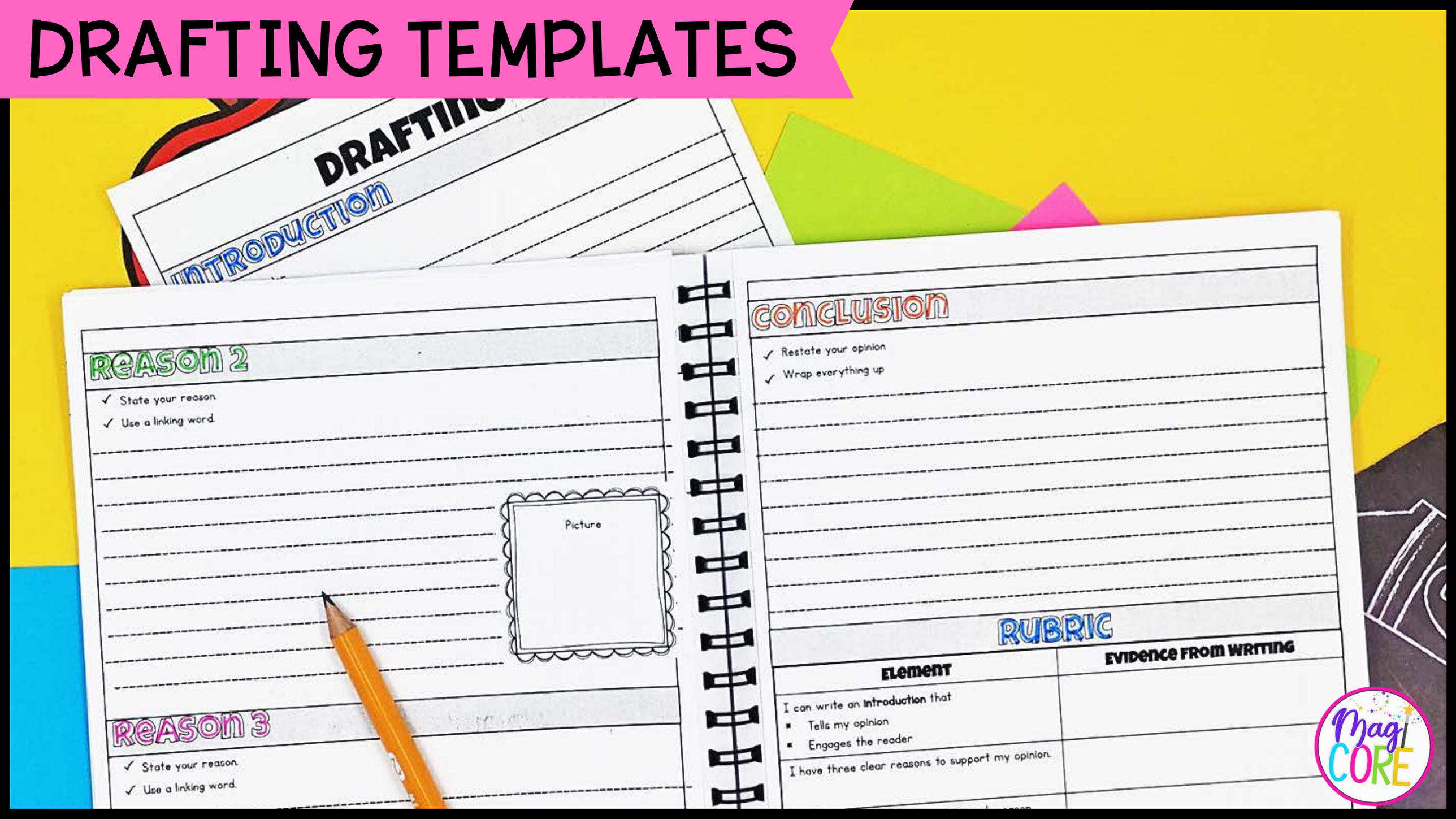
Make Teaching a Breeze!

Magi CORE

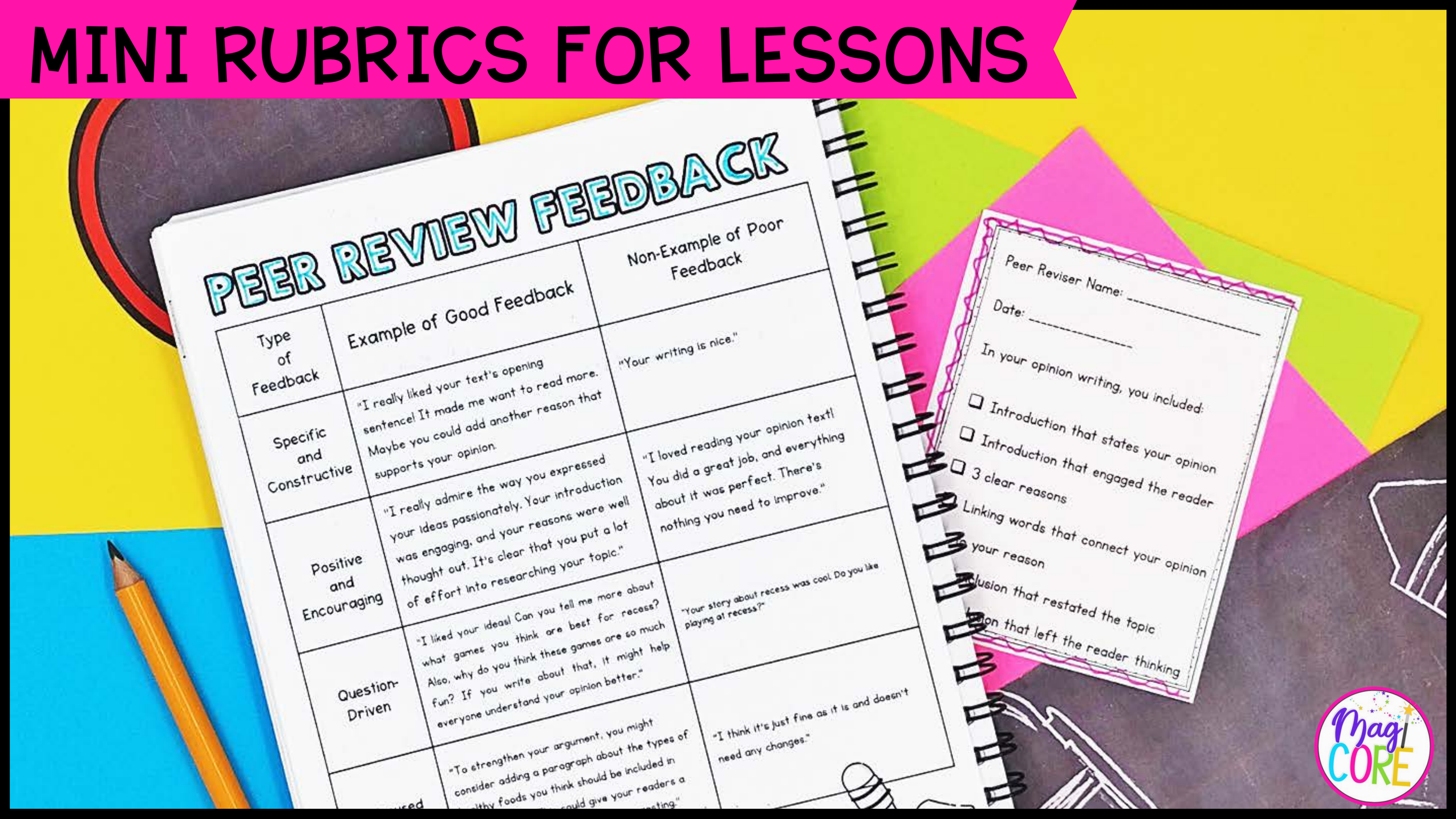
TEMPLATES


Lesson #6
SUPPORTING FACTS
The strongest way to defend your opinion is to support your reasons
Lesson #6
FINDING RELIABLE SOURCES
Reliable sources are important because they give us information that is accurate and trustworthy.
Criteria
Reliable Sources
Unreliable Sources
Authorship
Written by experts with
and a clear authorship.
Publication
Published by reputab
academic institutio
publishers.
Evidence
Contains citatic
evidence is cl
verifiable.
Bias
Presents ir
bias, aim
persuad
Date
Curre
date
Purpose
Review Process
Language
Lesson #6
SUPPORTING FACTS NOTE TAKING
Opinion/Reason:
Fact:
Source (Where did you find it?):
Why is this source reliable? (Use the Reli
ource Chart to provide evidence)
Opinion/Reason:
Fact:
Lesson #7
REASON PARAGRAPHS
*Authors of opinion text need to include reasons for their opinion.
Use a linking word to connect your opinion with your reason.
Reasons
Details, Facts, Examples
link
link
Lesson #7
REASON PARAGRAPHS
*Authors of opinion text need to include reasons for their opinion.
Use a linking word to connect your opinion with your reason.
Reasons
Details, Facts, Examples
link
link
REASON PARAGRAPHS
MagiCORE

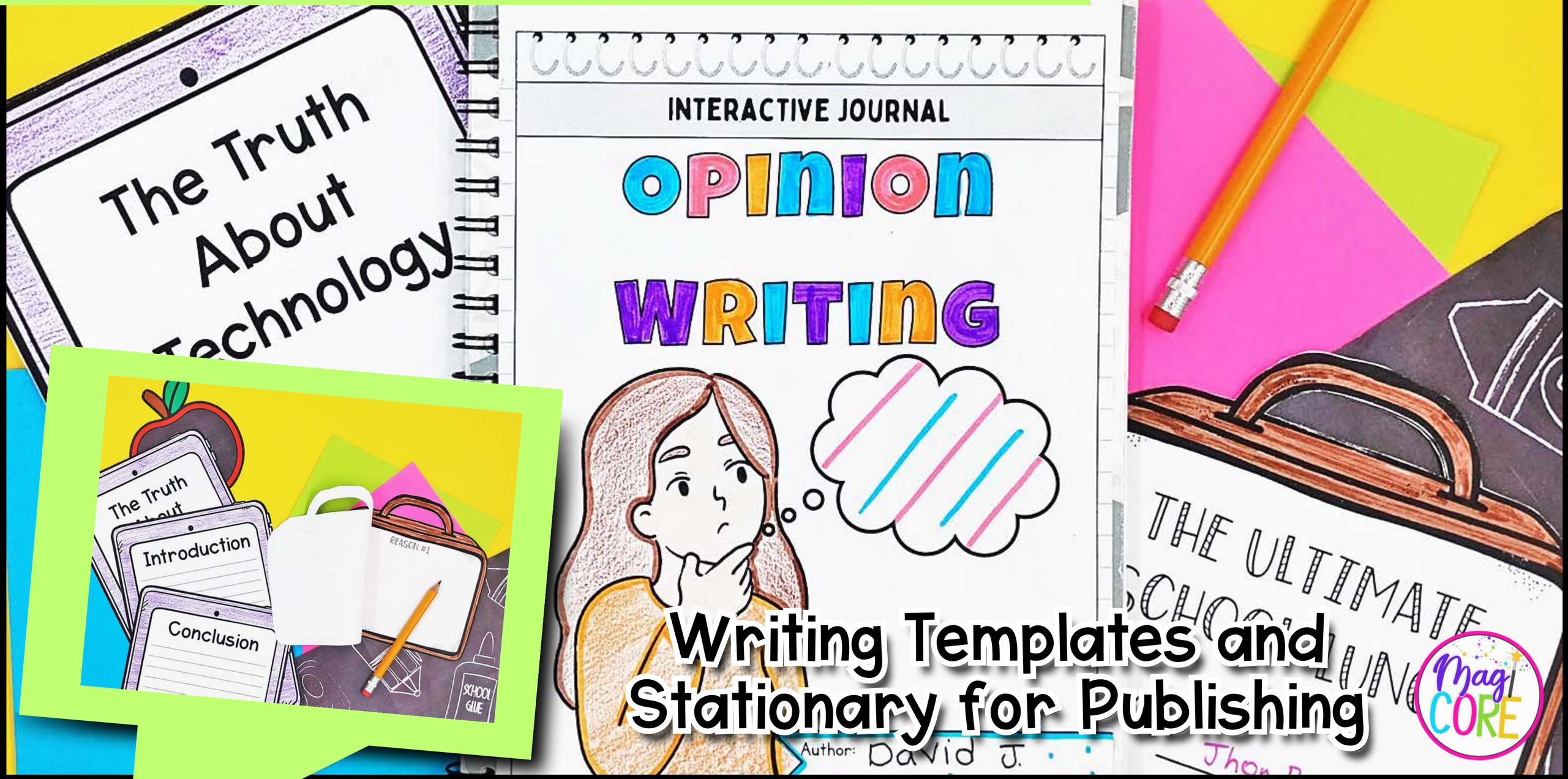
DRAFTING TEMPLATES



MINI RUBRICS FOR LESSONS



TEMPLATES & STATIONARY

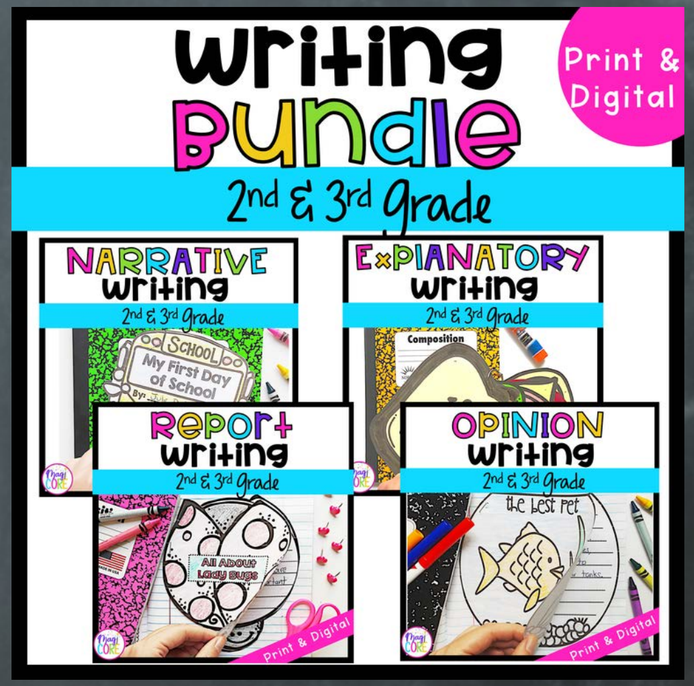


SYSTEMIC TEACHING APPROACH



Encourage Good Writing Skills and Strategies Through Systemic Teaching Approach and Modeling

UPGRADE THEIR SKILLS!



Love this unit, but need something more?
TRY THE BUNDLE!